

## ABSTRACT

Tablets are delivered from a tablet storage case (3) mounted on a case support table (4), and when the tablets are passed through a delivery passage (9) formed in the case support table (3), the quantity of the passed tablets is counted by a counting device (10). A start state of mounting of the tablet storage case (4) on the case support table (3) is detected by a case detector (8, 19), and the counting sensor (10) is kept in an OFF state until the start state of mounting of the photon-electron conversion region is detected by the case detector (8, 19) and is set to the ON state after the detection. This ensures prevention of erroneous operation due to the mounting and dismounting of the tablet storage case (4) on and from the case support table (3).